

Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens  
Minutes of September 6, 2001

**Present:** David Ogg, Member                      Steven Banch, Member  
Jo Rhoads, Member                      Ed Forst, Member  
Merrill Dixon, Member                      Bill Weisgerber, Member  
Lawrence Jose, Member                      Marie Hoag, Member  
Carla Vaughan, Staff

**Excused:** Jane Crowe, Member

**Absent:** None

**Visitors:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Jo Rhoads, supported by Ed Forst that the minutes of June 7, 2001 be approved as submitted. Ayes: All Nays: None MOTION CARRIED

**Old Business:**

**Parks and Recreation Report:** No report.

**Troy Medi-Go *Plus* Report:** No report.

**Community Center Update:** Carla reported that there would be a presentation on the “new” building in the senior lunchroom on Friday, September 14 at 11:45 a.m. She handed out a survey that she had developed regarding programs in the new building that she asked the Committee to review. The Committee is scheduled to tour the construction site after today’s meeting.

**Suggestion Box:** Following a suggestion, Jo Rhoads surveyed 52 seniors about the meals. Forty-five reported being satisfied with the food. Forty-seven reported that the portion size is just right. Twenty-four were satisfied with \$2.25 as the suggested donation, and 16 thought it should be less. Additional comments included: Homemade soup, more salad, more fruit. It was also suggested that there be more publicity about the program and that it is not just for low income. Carla will put an article to that effect in the next newsletter. It was suggested that we have name badges for the seniors. Carla reported that we have a new name badge maker and will begin providing name badges soon. It was also suggested that grace be observed as a moment of silence allowing each person to say his or her own grace. Carla reported that this procedure is something that the volunteers have been instructed to follow. Jo Rhoads and Merrill Dixon will meet with Carol Anderson to discuss what to do about volunteers who are causing an unpleasant atmosphere in the dining room. Carla reported that they have written guidelines that they are not always following.

**Fees for Senior Programs:** Merrill Dixon and Bill Weisgerber attended a meeting with representatives from other advisory committees to discuss the development of a policy for fees.

There will be another meeting on September 18. Some committee members felt that the seniors should have more input into this.

**Troy Daze Participation:** The Committee will have a table at Senior Sensation Day. Carla will provide brochures. Bill Weisgerber will provide a suggestion box. Some committee members also plan to participate in the parade.

#### **New Business:**

**Election of Officers:** Merrill Dixon was nominated by ~~Marie Hoag~~ Bill Weisgerber for Chairman, seconded by Larry Jose. Mr. Dixon was ~~reelected by unanimous vote~~ elected by a vote of seven to one. Bill Weisgerber was nominated by Larry Jose for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Ed Forst. Ed Forst was nominated for Vice-Chairman Bill Weisgerber, seconded by Marie Hoag. Bill Weisgerber was elected in a 5 to 3 vote.

**National Certification Committee Self-Assessment Results:** Carla handed out a three year action plan that the self-assessment committee developed. We are expecting an on-site review sometime this fall.

**Senior Summit:** Merrill Dixon asked if anyone attended the recent senior summit in Troy. Jo Rhoads reported that she did attend, and that insurance and medical costs were of great concern.

#### **Other:**

**Nutrition Report:** There were **1455** meals served in the Troy Community Center in **May**. The average donation was **\$1.77**. **1735** homebound meals were delivered. There were **1286** meals served in the Troy Community Center in **June**. The average donation was **\$1.82**. **1653** homebound meals were delivered. There were **1201** meals served in the Troy Community Center in **July**. The average donation was **\$1.80**. **1673** homebound meals were delivered.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Vaughan  
Secretary